



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
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6.		Favor	Ace Anaya	On June 9, 2020, this Board passed a motion calling for the CEO and Auditor Controller to report back with an analysis of its staffing numbers, including vacancies and ratios in juvenile institutions. 2.5 years later and that report has yet to be provided to the Board and the public. How is that acceptable? How has everyone shrugged their shoulders at continuing to spend \$423million to incarcerate our children? Every budget hearing between now and then has gone without any questioning of this dollar amount.
			Amari C Weatherby	We need to know where probation money is going. If the probation department have a billion dollars budget, what is the reasoning for the lack of programs in juvenile halls. The lack of support for youth to learn and accept their lesson - not to be confused with forced and punished.
			Anna Ferrarie	Young people need to be experiencing healing, restoration, and access programming that is consistently present in their lives during these circumstances so they're growing, maturing, and learning to be responsible adults to be better equipped in our communities.
			Arturo Quiros	On June 9, 2020, this Board passed a motion calling for the CEO and Auditor Controller to report back with an analysis of its staffing numbers, including vacancies and ratios in juvenile institutions. 2.5 years later and that report has yet to be provided to the Board and the public. How is that acceptable? How has everyone shrugged their shoulders at continuing to spend \$423million to incarcerate our children? Every budget hearing between now and then has gone without any questioning of this dollar amount. Every single dollar associated with a vacant position MUST be removed from Probation's budget. The Probation Union has negotiated (or stalled negotiations) at the expense of the wellbeing of young people. Thank you for naming the need to challenge a union that has placed the safety of its members and the young people its charged with controlling at risk.
			Carlos Cifuentes	
			Citizen Citizensforfairness	create work camps and mental wellness camps
			Clarissa Pena	We need transparency and communication on where this funding is going. Stop funding probation until we get an audit.



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			Douglas Rodriguez	
			Elianna N Pena	We need transparency and accountability. We need to know where this funding is going. We need this to be communicated.
			Emily Caesar	On June 9, 2020, the Board passed a motion calling for the CEO and Auditor Controller to report back with an analysis of its staffing numbers, including vacancies and ratios in juvenile institutions. 2.5 years later and that report has yet to be provided to the Board and the public. This is unacceptable, as is the County's ongoing and outrageously large investment in incarcerating our youth people. Swift action to reduce the overall budget for Probation is overdue, starting - but not ending - with the Department's vacancies.
			Eric Benites	
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			Gabriella E Ibe	
			Gillian Zwick	On June 9, 2020, this Board passed a motion calling for the CEO and Auditor Controller to report back with an analysis of its staffing numbers, including vacancies and ratios in juvenile institutions. 2.5 years later and that report has yet to be provided to the Board and the public. How is that acceptable? How has everyone shrugged their shoulders at continuing to spend \$423million to incarcerate our children? Every budget hearing between now and then has gone without any questioning of this dollar amount. Every single dollar associated with a vacant position MUST be removed from Probation's budget. The Probation Union has negotiated (or stalled negotiations) at the expense of the wellbeing of young people. Thank you for naming the need to challenge a union that has placed the safety of its members and the young people its charged with controlling at risk.
			Isaiah D Barber	



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			Jessica Ellis	<p>Thank you for this important motion focused on immediate steps to put concrete actions in place to shrink the footprint of our carceral system for kids and move toward a fully healing model for our youth with the highest needs.</p> <p>If DYD is being asked to step up immediately to provide programming in the camps and halls, a transition of funds from Probation to DYD is essential. It's not enough to keep this budget of over \$400 Million available to incarcerate just over 500 youth. It is clear by the lack of programming, lack of security, overdoses and rampant intoxication of youth on the inside, that the budget of almost a million per youth is not being spent to ensure our youth's safety and treatment. That expense is not being properly invested by Probation and therefore it is not ensuring public safety when these children are released given their time inside has led to little rehabilitation opportunity and often only further harm. It's time to move some of those funds immediately to DYD to ensure immediate improvement in treatment so that our children return to their community in a healthier state, for the sake of community safety.</p>



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			Joe Parker	On June 9, 2020, this Board passed a motion calling for the CEO and Auditor Controller to report back with an analysis of its staffing numbers, including vacancies and ratios in juvenile institutions. 2.5 years later and that report has yet to be provided to the Board and the public. How is that acceptable? How has everyone shrugged their shoulders at continuing to spend \$423million to incarcerate our children? Every budget hearing between now and then has gone without any questioning of this dollar amount. Every single dollar associated with a vacant position MUST be removed from Probation's budget. The Probation Union has negotiated (or stalled negotiations) at the expense of the wellbeing of young people. Thank you for naming the need to challenge a union that has placed the safety of its members and the young people its charged with controlling at risk.
			Juan V DeLosSantos	I write in favor of this motion. For too long punitive measures have been taken against youth who are in desperate need of support. That is why I fully support all actions to be taken before penalizing youth when preventative and rehabilitative action can be exercised.
			Julie Martinez	
			Kamal Valadez	
			Katherine Teague	It is past time to implement the Youth Justice Reimagined recommendations. Funding for Probation needs to be shifted to support community based work and the Dept of Youth Development. Oversight of how our dollars are being used by Probation is past due.



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			kent Mendoza	
			Kevin garcia	
			Lauren McDermott	<p>I am writing to express my opposition to youth incarceration and to urge the allocation of resources towards mental health programs and educational support for our youth. Incarceration is a traumatic experience for any individual, but it is especially harmful for young people who are still in the process of developing their identities and understanding of the world.</p> <p>Instead of punishing young people for their mistakes, we should be focusing on addressing the root causes of their behavior. By providing access to mental health services, we can help young people work through their struggles and develop the skills they need to lead healthy, productive lives. And by investing in educational support, we can give young people the tools they need to succeed in life and avoid future involvement in the criminal justice system.</p> <p>Furthermore, our current system is set up for recidivism. Youth who are incarcerated often lack access to the education and job training programs that are critical for successful reentry into society. They also face stigma and discrimination that can make it difficult for them to find employment and housing, which increases the likelihood of returning to the criminal justice system.</p> <p>By investing in mental health programs and educational support, we can break this cycle of recidivism and give our youth the tools they need to succeed. Let us work towards creating a system that is focused on rehabilitation and support rather than punishment and incarceration. Our youth deserve a chance to thrive, and it is our responsibility to provide them with the opportunities to do so.</p>
			Lauren M Wolchok	Probation Dept is failing our youth and we cannot continue to invest in it.



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			Michelle King	On June 9, 2020, this Board passed a motion calling for the CEO and Auditor Controller to report back with an analysis of its staffing numbers, including vacancies and ratios in juvenile institutions. 2.5 years later why has that report not been provided to the Board and the public? Every dollar associated with a vacant position should be removed from Probation's budget. This is long overdue?
			Milinda Kakani	
			Nat Agoos	We support this motion because we support our youth and their future. With this motion passed, our county will be able to expeditiously, and through clear and actionable items, move towards a model that prioritizes healing and ultimately our community. As intended, DYD is being asked to take on the lead role in programming and services within our county's halls + camps. Along with this, and as a result, will need to be a re-allocation of funds from Probation to DYD. Through this re-structure-- built on accountability, dynamic programming, the voices of LA county, + working away from an adversarial system—our county will be able to seriously work towards a fully decarcerated model, positive youth development, and implementation of Restorative Justice as a healing-based alternative. Restorative Justice is a practice that is quickly spreading throughout our communities through expert community-based practitioners. RJ provides effective solutions and alternatives to incarceration and when used correctly, can be both a response to harm as well as a preventor of harm.
			Robin L Dieda	Make the Justice system safer for youth by holding staff accountable, free up unused funding due to unfilled staff positions, fill the positions, have a heart for the vulnerable youth already dealing with poverty and limited choices. Help the system work for them! Thank you!



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			Sergio Salazar	
			Sikivu Hutchinson	On June 9, 2020, this Board passed a motion calling for the CEO and Auditor Controller to report back with an analysis of its staffing numbers, including vacancies and ratios in juvenile institutions. 2.5 years later and that report has yet to be provided to the Board and the public. How is that acceptable? How has everyone shrugged their shoulders at continuing to spend \$423million to incarcerate our children? Every budget hearing between now and then has gone without any questioning of this dollar amount. Every single dollar associated with a vacant position MUST be removed from Probation's budget. The Probation Union has negotiated (or stalled negotiations) at the expense of the wellbeing of young people. Thank you for naming the need to challenge a union that has placed the safety of its members and the young people its charged with controlling at risk.
			Sophia Ventura	
			Stephen Brantley	



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			Tess Gibbs	1. On June 9, 2020, this Board passed a motion calling for the CEO and Auditor Controller to report back with an analysis of its staffing numbers, including vacancies and ratios in juvenile institutions. 2.5 years later and that report has yet to be provided to the Board and the public. How is that acceptable? How has everyone shrugged their shoulders at continuing to spend \$423million to incarcerate our children? Every budget hearing between now and then has gone without any questioning of this dollar amount. 2. Every single dollar associated with a vacant position MUST be removed from Probation's budget. 3. The Probation Union has negotiated (or stalled negotiations) at the expense of the wellbeing of young people. Thank you for naming the need to challenge a union that has placed the safety of its members and the young people its charged with controlling at risk.
			Victoria Friesen	
		Oppose	Dee Banks	
			JESUS PEREZ	Hold criminals accountable, period. Many of them are learning that there are NO consequences for their criminal and violent behavior, and thus feel NO remorse towards victims of crime! The BOS should be reimagine victims' suffering and how to make them whole again...it's their job and responsibility to keep TAXPAYERS of all colors safe!
			Lisa DiMercurio	Minors need to do time for their crimes. There are too many young people wo stealing from stores, breaking store windows, beating up people or shooting people and police officers need to be tried for the crime.

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		Other	D Banks	THANK YOU FOR THE DPSS SUPERVISOR ALICIA RAMIREZ WHO SPOKE UP ABOUT THE SAFETY OF THE STAFF & PTSD OF STAFF, NO ONE ADDRESSES THAT...IT'S ALL ABOUT THE MINORS BUT IT STARTS WITH THE STAFF & MAKING SURE WE HAVE EVERYTHING WE NEED TO WORK WITH THESE MINORS, HOW DARE YOU NOT ADDRESS THE STAFF & WE ARE IN THE TRENCHES NOT THE BOARD OR ALL OF THESE ACTIVISTS
			Mark A Rothman	<p>1. On June 9, 2020, this Board passed a motion calling for the CEO and Auditor Controller to report back with an analysis of its staffing numbers, including vacancies and ratios in juvenile institutions. 2.5 years later and that report has yet to be provided to the Board and the public. How is that acceptable? How has everyone shrugged their shoulders at continuing to spend \$423million to incarcerate our children?</p> <p>a. Every budget hearing between now and then has gone without any questioning of this dollar amount.</p> <p>2. Every single dollar associated with a vacant position MUST be removed from Probation's budget.</p> <p>3. The Probation Union has negotiated (or stalled negotiations) at the expense of the wellbeing of young people. Thank you for naming the need to challenge a union that has placed the safety of its members and the young people its charged with controlling at risk.</p>
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To: [Holly J. Mitchell](#); [First District](#); [Supervisor Janice Hahn \(Fourth District\)](#); [Third District](#); [Barger, Kathryn](#); [Office of Countywide Communications](#)
Subject: Written Public Comment for 3/21/23 Board of Supervisors Meeting
Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 9:13:15 AM

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Hello,

My name is Elise Kalfayan, I am a resident and voter in the 5th Supervisorial District, and I am submitting written public comment to the Board of Supervisors for the March 21, 2023 meeting.

Probation department funds should be redirected to support community needs.

Agenda Item 2 - IN FAVOR

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From: richard.gagliano@gmail.com
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Hello,

My name is Richard and I am a resident of Supervisorial District 1 and would like to submit written public comment to the Board of Supervisors for the March 21, 2023 meeting.

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Hello,

My name is Geoffrey Golden and I am a resident of district 2. I would like to submit written public comment to the Board of Supervisors for the March 21, 2023 meeting.

I believe we must lower investment in the Probation department and instead invest in youth services such as education, stable housing, and drug treatment. Get our young people out of cages and give them real opportunities.

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Sincerely,

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Hello,

My name is Leila and I am a resident of District 5 and would like to submit written public comment to the Board of Supervisors for the March 21, 2023 meeting.

I believe we must down the Probation department and invest in youth services because youth services will address the causes of why youth become involved with the legal system in the first place, as opposed to trying to patch that with Probation department after this involvement has happened.

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From: [Ruby Condon](#)
To: [Holly J. Mitchell](#); [First District](#); [Supervisor Janice Hahn \(Fourth District\)](#); [Third District](#); [Barger, Kathryn](#); [Office of Countywide Communications](#)
Subject: Written Public Comment for 3/21/23 Board of Supervisors Meeting
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My name is Ruby Condon and I am a resident of District 1 and would like to submit written public comment to the Board of Supervisors for the March 21, 2023 meeting.

I believe we must down the Probation department and invest in youth services such as mental health care, college counseling, public education, etc.

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From: [Leah Perez](#)
To: [Holly J. Mitchell](#); [First District](#); [Supervisor Janice Hahn \(Fourth District\)](#); [Third District](#); [Barger, Kathryn](#); [Office of Countywide Communications](#)
Subject: Written Public Comment for 3/21/23 Board of Supervisors Meeting
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Hello,

My name is Leah Perez and I am a resident of Supervisorial District 1 and would like to submit written public comment to the Board of Supervisors for the March 21, 2023 meeting.

I believe we must down the Probation department and invest in youth services such as after school programs, supplementary education resources, and most importantly access to human rights such as food and housing. Our youth need to be protected, not punished.

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Sincerely,

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Leah Perez (she/her/ella)

Campaign Coordinator

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From: [Kelly Young](#)
To: [Holly J. Mitchell](#); [First District](#); [Supervisor Janice Hahn \(Fourth District\)](#); [Third District](#); [Barger, Kathryn](#); [Office of Countywide Communications](#)
Subject: Written Public Comment for 3/21/23 Board of Supervisors Meeting
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Hello,

My name is Kelly Young, I'm a resident of Supervisorial District 3, & I would like to submit written public comment to the Board of Supervisors for the March 21, 2023 meeting.

I believe we must shut down the Probation department and invest in youth services such as youth employment, education pathways, mental health, arts programming, and 24-hour hubs and access to afterschool & summer programs.

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Owner/Designer of [Deconstructed Design](#)

From: [C Lorant Saldaña](#)
To: [Holly J. Mitchell](#); [First District](#); [Supervisor Janice Hahn \(Fourth District\)](#); [Third District](#); [Barger, Kathryn](#); [Office of Countywide Communications](#)
Subject: Written Public Comment for 3/21/23 Board of Supervisors Meeting
Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 9:28:21 AM

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Hello,

My name is Clay and I am a resident of Supervisorial District 1 and would like to submit written public comment to the Board of Supervisors for the March 21, 2023 meeting.

I believe we must shut down the Probation department and invest in youth services such as public education, parks and recreation, and mental health services.

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Clay Lorant Saldaña (they/them)
(617) 412-7558

From: [Jessamy Gloor](#)
To: [Holly J. Mitchell](#); [First District](#); [Supervisor Janice Hahn \(Fourth District\)](#); [Third District](#); [Barger, Kathryn](#); [Office of Countywide Communications](#)
Subject: Written Public Comment for 3/21/23 Board of Supervisors Meeting
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Hello,

My name is Jessamy Gloor and I am a resident of Supervisorial District 5 and would like to submit written public comment to the Board of Supervisors for the March 21st, 2023 meeting.

It is time to close up the probation department and replace it with services that are actually designed to help young Angelenos.

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Sincerely,

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Pasadena, CA

From: [Carter Moon](#)
To: [First District](#); [Supervisor Janice Hahn \(Fourth District\)](#); [Holly J. Mitchell](#); [Barger, Kathryn](#); [Third District](#); [Office of Countywide Communications](#)
Subject: Written Public Comment for 3/21/23 Board of Supervisors Meeting
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Hello,

My name is Carter and I am a resident of Supervisorial District 3 and would like to submit written public comment to the Board of Supervisors for the March 21, 2023 meeting.

I believe we must scale down the Probation department and invest in youth services, the data is abundantly clear that young people who have resources and support do not repeat mistakes or act in violent ways as they get older.

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From: [River Rafferty](#)
To: [Holly J. Mitchell](#); [First District](#); [Supervisor Janice Hahn \(Fourth District\)](#); [Third District](#); [Barger, Kathryn](#); [Office of Countywide Communications](#)
Subject: Written Public Comment for 3/21/23 Board of Supervisors Meeting
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From: [Olivia Gleason](#)
To: [Holly J. Mitchell](#); [First District](#); [Supervisor Janice Hahn \(Fourth District\)](#); [Third District](#); [Barger, Kathryn](#); [Office of Countywide Communications](#)
Subject: Written Public Comment for 3/21/23 Board of Supervisors Meeting
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Hello,

My name is Olivia Gleason and I am a resident of Supervisorial District 3 and would like to submit written public comment to the Board of Supervisors for the March 21, 2023 meeting.

I believe we must listen to what youth advocates have been demanding for years and invest in community based youth services rather than fund an irresponsible, violent, wasteful probation department. Just like we all require, our youth, our future leaders, need investments in care, not in a system that perpetuates a culture of harm and punishment. We will all be better off for it.

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From: [Danielle Carne](#)
To: [Holly J. Mitchell](#); [First District](#); [Supervisor Janice Hahn \(Fourth District\)](#); [Third District](#); [Barger, Kathryn](#); [Office of Countywide Communications](#)
Subject: Written Public Comment for 3/21/23 Board of Supervisors Meeting
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To: [Holly J. Mitchell](#); [First District](#); [Supervisor Janice Hahn \(Fourth District\)](#); [Third District](#); [Barger, Kathryn](#); [Office of Countywide Communications](#)
Subject: Written Public Comment for 3/21/23 Board of Supervisors Meeting
Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 10:20:18 AM

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My name is Khalil and I am a resident of District 2 and would like to submit written public comment to the Board of Supervisors for the March 21, 2023 meeting.

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Hello,

My name is Bri Price and I am a resident of supervisorial district #4 and would like to submit written public comment to the Board of Supervisors for the March 21, 2023 meeting.

I believe we must down the Probation department and invest in youth services such as after school services and free parks and rec services.

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To: [Supervisor Janice Hahn \(Fourth District\)](#); [Holly J. Mitchell](#); [Barger, Kathryn](#); [Third District](#); [First District](#); [Office of Countywide Communications](#)
Subject: Written Public Comment for 3/21/23 Board of Supervisors Meeting
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My name is Lisa Butters-Smith and I am a resident of DISTRICT 3 and would like to submit written public comment to the Board of Supervisors for the March 21, 2023 meeting.

I believe we must steer money from the Probation department and invest in youth services such as mental health, addiction, job training.

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To: [Holly J. Mitchell](#); [First District](#); [Supervisor Janice Hahn \(Fourth District\)](#); [Third District](#); [Barger, Kathryn](#); [Office of Countywide Communications](#)
Subject: Written Public Comment for 3/21/23 Board of Supervisors meeting
Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 10:34:09 AM

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Hello,

My name is Chelsea Boyle and I would like to submit written public comment to the Board of Supervisors for the March 21, 2023 meeting.

I believe we must down the Probation department and invest in youth services such as community schools, arts programs, housing, community mental health, and harm reduction services.

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Regards,

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To: [Holly J. Mitchell](#); [First District](#); [Supervisor Janice Hahn \(Fourth District\)](#); [Third District](#); [Barger, Kathryn](#); [Office of Countywide Communications](#)
Subject: Written Public Comment for 3/21/23 Board of Supervisors Meeting
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Subject: Written Public Comment for 3/21/23 Board of Supervisors
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Hello,

My name is Gillian and I am a resident of District 1 (90065) and would like to submit a written public comment to the Board of Supervisors for the March 21, 2023 meeting.

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From: [Sophia Rome](#)
To: [Holly J. Mitchell](#); [First District](#); [Supervisor Janice Hahn \(Fourth District\)](#); [Third District](#); [Barger, Kathryn](#); [Office of Countywide Communications](#)
Subject: Written Public Comment for 3/21/23 Board of Supervisors Meeting
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Hi I am a constituent of district 1. I believe we need to shut down the probation department and invest in youth services because clearly the current models are doing nothing to curb crime or help our communities. Also for public comment:

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From: [Catherine Safley](#)
To: [Holly J. Mitchell](#); [First District](#); [Supervisor Janice Hahn \(Fourth District\)](#); [Third District](#); [Barger, Kathryn](#); [Office of Countywide Communications](#)
Subject: Written Public Comment for 3/21/23 Board of Supervisors Meeting
Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 11:16:21 AM

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Hello,

My name is Catherine Safley and I am a resident of Supervisor District 3. I am submitting public comment to the Board of Supervisors for the March 21, 2023 meeting.

I believe we must shut down the Probation department and invest in youth services such as mentorship programs, arts and skills training courses, financial assistance, localized health services, survivor advocacy, and so many others that are non-carceral and free of involvement from law enforcement. Our kids need compassionate care to thrive and grow to do and be their best.

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To: [Holly J. Mitchell](#); [First District](#); [Supervisor Janice Hahn \(Fourth District\)](#); [Third District](#); [Barger, Kathryn](#); [Office of Countywide Communications](#)
Subject: Written Public Comment for 3/21/23 Board of Supervisors Meeting
Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 11:13:46 AM

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Hello,

My name is Jake Sternberg and I am a resident of SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 1 and would like to submit a written public comment to the Board of Supervisors for the March 21, 2023 meeting.

I believe we must shut down the Probation department and invest in youth services such as:

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Thanks,

Jake

From: [Anthony Arenas](#)
To: [Anthony Arenas](#)
Subject: Written Public Comment for 3/21/23 Board of Supervisors Meeting
Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 11:08:39 AM

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Hello,

My name is **Anthony Arenas** and I am a resident of **Supervisory District 3** and would like to submit a written public comment to the Board of Supervisors for the March 21, 2023 meeting.

I believe we must shut down the Probation department and invest in youth services such as stable housing, education, mental health services, and opportunities to thrive in their community. We have been following the status quo with probation and we see where it's taken us. Let's be bold for the sake of young people who, like folks of any age, NEVER deserve to be in a cage.

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Subject: Written Public Comment for 3/21/23 Board of Supervisors Meeting
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Hello,

My name is Jack MacCarthy and I am a resident of Supervisorial District 2. I would like to submit written public comment to the Board of Supervisors for the March 21, 2023 meeting.

I believe that we must defund the Probation department and invest in youth services such as mental health services, food and nutritional assistance, after school programming, vocational training, and housing assistance for their families.

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From: [Lani Engstrom](#)
To: [Holly J. Mitchell](#); [First District](#); [Supervisor Janice Hahn \(Fourth District\)](#); [Third District](#); [Barger, Kathryn](#); [Office of Countywide Communications](#)
Subject: Written Public Comment for 3/21/23 Board of Supervisors Meeting
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Hello,

My name is Lani Engstrom and I am a resident of SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT #1 and would like to submit a written public comment to the Board of Supervisors for the March 21, 2023 meeting.

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Thank you for your time,
Lani Engstrom

From: [Jacob Roberts](#)
To: [Supervisor Janice Hahn \(Fourth District\)](#); [Holly J. Mitchell](#); [Third District](#); [First District](#); [Barger, Kathryn](#); [Office of Countywide Communications](#)
Subject: Written Public Comment for 3/21/23 Board of Supervisors Meeting
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This email is my public comment to the Board of Supervisors for the March 21, 2023 meeting.

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